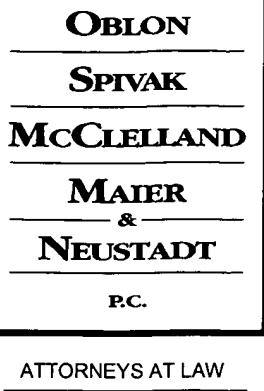




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For: VAPOR BARRIER FOR USE IN THE HEAT  
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

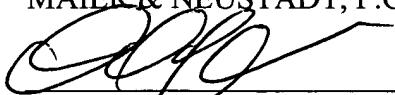
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Our check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.181 to invoke supervisory authority to respectfully request that the Examiner provide a return, signed, initialed and dated copy of Form 1449 attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 15, 2004.

The Applicants contacted Examiner Kiliman on November 12, 2004 and on November 23, 2004 to request consideration of the above-mentioned Information Disclosure Statement and return of an initialed and signed copy of Form 1449. However, while the Examiner indicated that this would be resolved, apparently the file was not available as it was sent to the printer for publication. Accordingly, the Applicants now petition for matching and consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement and return to them of written acknowledgement of this statement via Form 1449. For the convenience of the Examiner a copy of the previously-filed Information Disclosure Statements and the date-stamped filing

receipts are attached to this petition.

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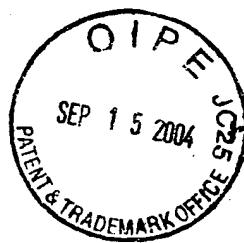
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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

**REFERENCES**

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**RELATED CASES**

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with discussions on August 4, 2004 with Mr. Nicholas P. Godici, Commissioner for Patents, it is no longer required to submit copies of cited pending applications. A modification of the Rules will be published soon in the Official Gazette. Cited issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
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**CERTIFICATION**

- Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
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**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

- Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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